

Invitation to St. Paul residents for Climate Preparedness training on May 1st

St. Paul, Minn. -- Macalester College, the St. Paul Mayor's Office, and the Science Museum of Minnesota invite St. Paul residents to participate in a daylong climate preparedness training at the Science Museum of Minnesota on Friday, May 1st.

To respond effectively to the increasingly severe challenges brought on by climate changes, the City of St. Paul, its residents and neighborhoods need to be better prepared. To support this goal, Macalester, the Mayor's Office, and Science Museum of Minnesota will host a climate preparedness training on Friday, May 1st. This training will include brief presentations from climate scientists, Metropolitan Council and MN Department of Health staff. There will also be interactive opportunities for participants to make a climate disaster kit, learn about examples of local projects, and hear about upcoming community grant opportunities for small demonstration projects.

Residents from all districts in St. Paul are invited to attend. There is room for 50 participants. Each participant will receive a \$50 stipend for attending. Breakfast, lunch, and parking will also be provided.

To apply to participate please fill out an application at: <http://tinyurl.com/qf6dafy> (<http://tinyurl.com/qf6dafy>)

Mayor Chris Coleman is committed to making St. Paul "The Most Livable City in America" and a leader in sustainable urban living. The city is taking proactive steps to protect St. Paul's air, water, and urban landscape by focusing on Carbon Dioxide (CO₂) reduction activities in the areas of energy efficiency and conservation, clean energy supply, alternative fuels and transportation options, recycling and waste reduction, urban reforestation and natural resources management, and water resources management.

The Science Museum of Minnesota serves hundreds of thousands of visitors each year with its hands-on exhibits, breathtaking giant screen films, special events, and unparalleled education programs. It is located at 120 West Kellogg Boulevard in downtown St. Paul. For specific directions and parking information call (651) 221-9444 or visit www.smm.org^[1].

Macalester College, founded in 1874, is a national liberal arts college with a full-time enrollment of 2,045 students. Macalester is nationally recognized for its long-standing commitment to academic excellence, internationalism, multiculturalism, and civic engagement.

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